

**DELAWARE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD**

**THE TOWNSEND BUILDING**

**DOVER, DELAWARE 19901**

**LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION CRITERIA COMMITTEE**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Capital School District Board Room**

**Dover, DE**

**February 4, 2015**

**1:00 pm**

**Members Present:** Angeline Rivello, Barbara VanDornick, Diane Albanese, Jill Cole, Tammy Croce, Maria Degnats, Darren Guido, Karen Kleinschmidt, Frank Livoy, Charlie Michels, Cora Scott, Stephanie Smith, Sue Smith, Tyler Wells, Shana Young

**Members Absent:** MaryAnn Mieczkowski, Kendra Modzewleski, Byron Murphy, Kate Scantlebury, Lisa Stoner

**Others:** Chris Kenton; PSB Executive Director, Kathleen Geiszler; Deputy Attorney General, Jennifer Rivelli Anderson; ETS, Kevin Cureton; ETS, Donna Lee Mitchell; Wilmington University, Lisa Hedrick; ETS, Cathy Owens Oliver; ETS, Kathryn Brown; Wilmington University, Shannon Holston; DOE

**I. Call to Order and Approval of the Agenda**

*Angeline Rivello called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. A motion was made by Frank Livoy and seconded by Jill Cole to approve the February 4, 2015 Agenda. The motion carried unanimously (Rivello, VanDornick, Albanese, Cole, Croce, Degnats, Guido, Kleinschmidt, Livoy, Michels, Scott, St. Smith, Su Smith, Wells, Young).*

**II. Approve the Minutes of December 10, 2014**

*A motion was made by Darren Guido and seconded by Maria Degnats to approve the minutes from December 10, 2014. The motion carried unanimously (Rivello, VanDornick, Albanese, Cole, Croce, Degnats, Guido, Kleinschmidt, Livoy, Michels, Scott, St. Smith, Su Smith, Wells, Young).*

**III. Professional Standards Board Updates:**

Mr. Chris Kenton updated the LCCC on recent PSB regulations.

**IV. Presentation Lisa Hedrick; ETS, Kevin Cureton; ETS, Jennifer Anderson; ETS**

Lisa Hedrick, Kevin Cureton, and Jennifer Anderson from Education Testing Service gave a presentation to the Licensure and Certification Criteria Committee on their Praxis Teaching Reading: Elementary Education (TREE) assessment. The group began with a brief overview of TREE including details surrounding test development and validity evidence. They broke the test down into the different content categories, and described how the assessment was rigorous, and research-based. Angeline Rivello passed out to the group a sheet showing what other states are currently doing. Several LCCC members questioned if this was applicable to Early Childhood. ETS said it was developed for K-6.

**V. Application Review Shana Young, Shannon Holston; TLEU**

Shana Young and Shannon Holston gave the LCCC an overview of the proposal for a course of study to prepare Assistant Principals and Principals for Delaware Schools known as DASL (Delaware Academy for School Leadership). The LCCC members were sent the application, along with a matching rubric to evaluate prior to attending this meeting. Chris Kenton, Executive Director of the Professional Standards Board commented how this same application came before the LCCC, the PSB, and the State Board of Education last year, and was approved by all three only to be denied by the Secretary of Education. Mr. Kenton shared with the LCCC a compendium of changes to the University of Delaware Principal Preparation Program. Mr. Kenton shared two minor concerns, but was assured by the University of Delaware that they would be addressed very soon. A motion was made by Tammy Croce, and seconded by Angeline Rivello to approve the DASL application, and send it forward to the Professional Standards Board for approval. The motion passed unanimously (Rivello, VanDornick, Albanese, Cole, Croce, Degnats, Guido, Kleinschmidt, Livoy, Michels, Scott, St. Smith, Su. Smith, Wells, Young).

**VI. edTPA vs. PPAT Shana Young, TLEU**

Shana Young gave the LCCC an update on the edTPA vs. PPAT discussions that have been held statewide. The LCCC reviewed key parts and concerns of each assessment. Shana told the LCCC that the Department was strongly considering adopting or accepting both programs. IHE's here in Delaware have piloted both assessments, and have shared with the LCCC the strengths and weaknesses of both. Angeline Rivello discussed the nuances of the approval process. The Department needs to approve one or both by July 1, 2015. Upon approval, we'd then be able to start approving the cut scores. It was decided that the LCCC would vote at the April 1, 2015 meeting to approve one, or both, for licensure and certification for an initial license.

## **VII. HQT**

**Angeline Rivello**

Angeline Rivello updated the LCCC on the ESEA Flex Waiver.

Angeline Rivello gave a presentation on HQT. Discussions were held with the Department and other constituent groups about where the Department would like to go with HQT which falls under No Child Left Behind.

There is an equity plan that speaks to having excellent educators in high needs schools. The thought of the department would be to move in a direction where they differentiate qualified from effective. They would like to move in a direction of the federally mandated guidelines around HQT.

Ms. Rivello commented that there are three things that would consider them effective by using an algorithm to decide the effectiveness.

1. Their qualified status to be licensed and certified in the State of Delaware and meet the requirements of the Professional Standards Board.
2. Their placement. (What they are teaching and making sure it lines up to what they are qualified to do).
3. Their effectiveness of whatever comes out on their teacher evaluation.

## **VIII. Certification/Licensure Regulation Proposed Amendments**

Chris Kenton updated the LCCC on the progress being made on 1580 – School Library Media Specialist, 1561 – Bilingual Teacher, and 1562 – English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL).

## **IX. Other & Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Barbara VanDornick and seconded by Karen Kleinschmidt. The motion carried unanimously (Rivello, VanDornick, Albanese, Cole, Croce, Degnats, Guido, Kleinschmidt, Livoy, Michels, Scott, St. Smith, Su. Smith, Wells, Young). The meeting adjourned at 2:33.

The next scheduled meeting is set for April 1, 2015 in the Capital School District Board Room, at 1:00.